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National Broiler Market-at-a-Glance

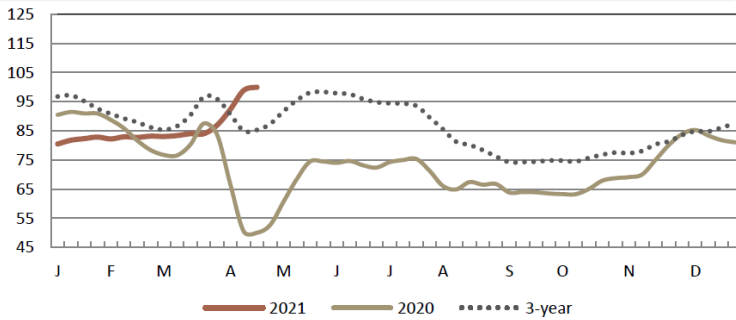
Whole broiler/fryer prices are generally trending steady for all sizes. Offerings of all sizes are light to moderate for current trade needs. Retail and food service demand is moderate to good. Processing schedules are normal to reduced. Floor stocks are adequate. Market activity is slow to moderate. In the parts structure, prices are firm for bone-in breasts, boneless skinless breasts, and tenders. The balance of parts range steady to firm. Offerings of bone-in breasts, boneless skinless breasts, and tenders are in good balance to tight and moving well. Wings, dark meat items, and all other parts are light to moderate with thighs, thigh meat, and jumbo sized wings in the better position. Market activity for parts is moderate to active. In production areas, live supplies are moderate to heavy. Weights are mixed, but reported as mostly desirable.

National Whole Broiler/Fryer

National Composite Weighted Average

	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.
This Week:	99.95	↑ 1.11	10,139
Last Week:	98.84		10,068
Last Year:	50.00	↑ 49.95	8,077

Monthly Composite Weighted Average		
Mar	86.68	39,587



Weekly Poultry Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection

(Preliminary) Week ending 10-Apr-2021

	Young Chickens	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens	Duck
----- Thousands -----					
Head	161,361	885	1,543	2,428	404
Avg Wt	6.29	3.44	8.14	6.43	7.01
Head Slaughter Comparisons					
Last week	161,931	762	1,405	2,167	419
Same wk yr ago	155,111	607	1,400	2,007	505
Avg Wt	6.23	3.59	8.30	6.88	7.03
To-date/2021*	2,410,332	11,553	21,785	33,338	5,916
To-date/2020*	2,517,182	11,808	23,362	35,170	7,160
% Change YTD	-4%	-2%	-7%	-5%	-17%

Ready-to-Cook Weight and Dressing Percentage

Current week	771,370	1,690	8,604	10,294	2,011
Last week	766,711	1,459	8,036	9,495	2,112
Same wk yr ago	734,420	1,209	7,960	9,169	2,521
To-date/2021*	11,608,109	22,177	123,641	145,818	28,850
To-date/2020*	11,936,077	22,949	131,781	154,730	35,736
% Change YTD	-3%	-3%	-6%	-6%	-19%

Dressing % 76.0% 55.5% 68.5% 71.0%

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 166.4 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period was 163.3 million head, or 3.1 million less than estimated available.

(B) Dressing % adjustments reflect quarterly update.

*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

Eastern Region

	This Week			Last Week	
	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	100.03	↑ 0.84	4,236	99.18	4,187
WOGS:	99.94	↑ 0.93	1,561	99.02	1,553
New York					
Whole Body:	98.46	↑ 0.49	1,295	97.97	1,190

Central Region

	This Week			Last Week	
	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	97.01	↑ 1.78	2,946	95.24	2,816
WOGS:	97.06	↑ 2.00	2,665	95.06	2,545
Chicago					
Whole Body:	100.88	↑ 2.14	1,868	98.73	1,768

Western Region

	This Week			Last Week	
	Wtd Avg	Change	1,000 lbs.	Wtd Avg	1,000 lbs.
Whole Body:	102.77	↑ 1.07	2,957	101.70	3,065
WOGS:	101.82	↑ 0.64	2,807	101.18	2,865
Los Angeles					
Whole Body:	101.79	↑ 1.24	1,453	100.55	1,601

Negotiated prices in trucklot and less-than-trucklot quantities of ready-to-cook whole body broiler/fryers delivered to first receivers; prices in cents per pound; volume in thousands of pounds.1: Prices not reported due to confidentiality. **Eastern Region:** AL, CT, DE, FL, GA, MA, MD, ME, MS, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, TN, VT, VA, WV. **Central Region:** AR, CO, IA, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MI, MN, MO, NE, NM, OH, SD, TX, WI. **Western Region:** AZ, CA, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY

Weekly Estimated Slaughter of U.S. Broiler/Fryers & Fowl

Class	Current Week	Previous Week
	4/17/2021	(1) 4/10/2021
Broiler/fryer	162,483 (2)	157,868
Light hens	794	847
Heavy hens	1,612	1,546
Total	164,889	160,261

(1) ESTIMATED

(2) The estimated number of broiler-fryers available for slaughter the week ending 17-Apr-21 is 165.3 million head compared to 151.5 million head slaughtered the same week last year. The estimated U.S. slaughter this week is 162.8 million head or -2.5 million less than estimated available. For the week of 24-Apr-21 the estimated available is 166.1 million head.

Southern States Broiler Parts

f.o.b. dock or equivalent, iced-packed, prices shown are day of shipment (includes current and prior negotiations), trucklot and less than trucklot volume, cents per pound.

Item	Weekly	
	lbs. (000)	wtd. avg.
BREAST - B/S	1,198	162.26
TENDERLOINS	646	198.83
BREAST - LINE RUN	606	72.94
FRONT HALVES	602	69.38
LEGS	1,081	42.58
LEG QUARTERS	1,068	37.34
LEG QUARTERS	1,022	40.88
WINGS (WHOLE)	659	281.26
WINGS (CUT)	708	291.90
DRUMSTICKS	1,007	38.60
THIGHS	605	38.63
B/S THIGHS	661	111.12

Whole Body Index Based on Southern State Parts Trading - f.o.b. dock			
Range	Today's Average	5-Day Average	
49.00 - 58.00	2:52 AM	53.35	

The Index is intended solely as an indicator of values for commodity-type product and does not represent industry's willingness to sell or ability to buy.

Northeast Broiler Parts

Ice packed broiler/fryer parts, delivered to first receivers in pool trucklot and trucklot quantities, cents per pound

Item	Weekly	
	wtd. avg.	lbs.
BREAST - B/S	168.54	2,415,820
TENDERLOINS	195.64	892,240
BREAST - WITH RIBS	124.42	173,375
BREAST - LINE RUN	107.42	275,400
LEGS	59.80	355,166
LEG QUARTERS	44.46	1,746,595
DRUMSTICKS	48.94	1,782,314
THIGHS	63.09	185,810
B/S THIGHS	115.54	678,160
WINGS (WHOLE)	291.16	1,213,920
BACKS AND NECKS	10.00	812,169
LIVERS (5 POUND)	65.96	76,470
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	77.43	88,640

Includes New York City Metropolitan Area, Northern NJ, MA, CT, RI, and PA (Northeast Of Harrisburg).

* Weighted average price of all grades and brands of product shipped, or to be shipped as of 1:30 p.m.

National Mechanically Separated Chicken

(f.o.b. Shipper Dock or equiv.; negotiated prices in trucklot and less than trucklot volumes reported in thousand lb. quantities, cents/lb.; delivery within 2- weeks.)

Prices of 15-20% MSC are trending steady to mostly firm for both fresh and frozen. The undertone remains firm. Domestic and export demand is moderate. Supplies are in good balance to tight. Processing schedules are mostly normal. Market activity is slow to moderate. Supplies of raw materials remained tight for current needs. Frame prices are steady to firm with trading at 11-14 cents FOB, mostly 12-13 cents FOB.

Midwest Region Broiler/Fryer Parts

Ice-packed pool trucklot and trucklot quantities, cents per pound
Delivered to: IL, IN, IA, KS, MI, MN, MO, NE, ND, OH, SD, & WI

Item	Price per lb.		Mostly
	WEEK OF 12-APR-2021 TO 16-APR-2021, CENTS PER POUND		
BREAST - B/S	150.00 - 187.00	150.00 - 170.00	
TENDERLOINS	180.00 - 204.00	180.00 - 191.00	
BREAST - LINE RUN	71.00 - 105.00	75.00 - 80.00	
LEGS	32.00 - 49.00	-	
LEG QUARTERS (BULK)	30.00 - 45.00	40.00 - 46.00	
LEG QUARTERS (4/10)	33.00 - 48.00	35.00 - 45.00	
DRUMSTICKS	35.00 - 45.00	-	
THIGHS	32.00 - 60.00	40.00 - 46.00	
B/S THIGHS	104.00 - 120.00	109.00 - 120.00	
WINGS (WHOLE)	263.00 - 300.00	272.00 - 290.00	
BACKS AND NECKS (STRIPPED)	17.00 - 55.00	-	
LIVERS	50.00 - 60.00	-	
GIZZARDS (HEARTS)	55.00 - 65.00	-	

Major Wholesale Markets – Mexico City

Cents per pound for the week ending April 09, 2021

Market	Whole		Legs w/ Thighs	Necks, Backs & Wings	Livers/ Gizzards	Hens
	Chickens	Breasts				
RAYON						
Low	115.63	175.82	99.18	38.32	20.29	99.18
High	116.54	184.83	108.20	45.08	22.54	99.18
Mostly	116.08	180.33	103.69	40.57	20.29	99.18
SAN JUAN						
Low	114.96	173.56	96.93	36.07	20.29	99.18
High	116.08	182.58	105.94	42.83	22.54	99.18
Mostly	115.63	178.07	101.43	38.32	20.29	99.18
NEW SAN JUAN						
Low	115.63	178.07	101.43	40.57	20.29	99.18
High	116.99	187.09	110.45	47.34	22.54	99.18
Mostly	116.08	182.58	105.94	42.83	20.29	99.18
BECERRA						
Low	116.08	180.33	103.69	42.83	20.29	99.18
High	117.21	189.34	112.70	49.59	22.54	99.18
Mostly	116.54	184.83	108.20	45.08	20.29	99.18

Weekly MSC Weighted Average Prices (cents/pound) and Volumes (1,000 pounds)

Fat Content	Frozen			Fresh		
	16-Apr-21	Last Week	Last Year	16-Apr-21	Last Week	Last Year
15% or Less						
Price Range			-			-
Wtd Avg Price			-			-
Volume Traded			-			-
Volume Exported			-			-
15-20%						
Price Range	39.00 - 58.00	40.00 - 55.00	26.00-28.00	32.00 - 45.00	30.00 - 45.00	24.00-26.50
Wtd Avg Price	46.88	46.11	26.83	35.37	35.36	24.85
Volume Traded	624	486	1,665	775	1,142	2,591
Volume Exported	540	486	1,665	-	-	408
20% or More						
Price Range			-			-
Wtd Avg Price			-			-
Volume Traded			-			-
Volume Exported			-			-

Young Chickens Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection

Week ending 10-Apr-21

(Preliminary)

	(A) 4.25 lbs. & down	(B) 4.26 - 6.25 lbs.	(C) 6.26 - 7.75 lbs.	(D) 7.76 lbs. & up	Total
Head	37,859	39,980	47,224	36,298	161,361
Avg Live Wgt	3.74	5.24	6.97	9.24	6.29
% of total /1	23%	25%	29%	22%	100%
Comparisons					
Last week	37,712	38,996	48,153	37,070	161,931
Avg Live Wgt	3.65	5.12	6.98	9.06	6.23
% of total /1	23%	24%	30%	23%	100%
Year Ago 2/	28,995	50,420	39,258	36,438	155,111
Avg Live Wgt	3.74	5.31	6.84	8.84	6.23
% of total /1	19%	33%	25%	23%	100%
To date/2021*	493,154	650,010	685,302	581,866	2,410,332
To date/2020*	569,426	694,453	641,364	611,939	2,517,182
% Change YTD	-13%	-6%	7%	-5%	-4%

1/ May not total to 100% due to rounding. 2/ Comparable week.

*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.

Weight Class Description:

(A) This size product is normally marketed bone-in into fast food and food service sectors and may include Cornish hens. (B) This size product is normally marketed into the retail grocery sector in tray pack or bagged forms. (C) This size product is normally marketed either into the retail grocery sector in tray pack and IQF form or is further processed and marketed into various sectors. (D) This size product is normally marketed deboned or as roasters or roasting chicken.

Est. U.S. Fryer Slaughter/Fryer Availability Comparison

Week Ending	Million Head		Percent	Avg Wt
	Slaughtered	Available*		
3/6	174.6	168.7	103%	6.35
3/13	171.4	168.8	102%	6.32
3/20	168.5	168.5	100%	6.30
3/27	168.1	167.5	100%	6.27
4/3	163.9	166.5	98%	6.23
4/10	163.3	166.4	98%	6.29
Year to date	2439.7	2480.9	98%	
4/17		165.3		
4/24		166.1		

*Based on chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier.

Fast Food and Food Service Sizes

Live weight	RTC WOG's weight	Head (000)	% of Total Slaughter
3.60 lbs & lighter	Under 2.5 lbs.	4,799	2.97%
3.61 - 3.80 lbs.	2.5 - 2.63 lbs.	6,538	4.05%
3.81 - 4.00 lbs.	2.63 - 2.75 lbs.	15,646	9.70%
4.01 - 4.25 lbs.	2.75 - 2.9 lbs.	10,875	6.74%
Totals:		37,858	23.46%

Estimated Slaughter of Broiler-Fryers

	Estimated (1,000)		Actual (1,000)		Avg Wt		Actual (1,000)		Avg Wt	
	4/16	4/15	4/14	4/13	4/14	4/13	4/9	4/7	4/9	4/7
AL	4,206	4,375	4,293	4,263	5.68	5.60	3,960	5.56		
AR	4,428	4,560	4,751	4,797	6.25	6.31	4,122	6.33		
Delmarva	1,866	2,042	1,763	2,066	7.39	6.99	2,302	7.28		
KY-LA-TN	2,221	2,443	2,285	2,179	5.77	5.82	2,251	5.83		
MS	2,484	2,508	2,618	2,626	6.19	6.30	2,464	6.30		
NC	3,343	3,555	3,442	3,370	8.21	8.20	3,428	8.16		
TX	2,460	2,509	2,672	2,637	6.66	6.80	2,877	6.76		
Total	21,008	21,992	21,824	21,938	6.53	6.54	21,404	6.56		
Mon-Fri	108,628	(A)					107,321	(A)		
Saturday	117		(included in total for date shown)				1,530			

(A) Weekly cumulative for states listed above.

Broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for 16-Apr-21 and 17-Apr-21 is estimated to be 31,972,000 head down 2.15 percent from a week ago and down 0.9 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 32,673,000, last year 32,257,000)

Weekly broiler-fryer slaughter under federal inspection for the week ending 17-Apr-21 is estimated to be 166,206,000 head up 3.00 percent from a week ago, and up 11.01 percent from a year ago.

(Last week 161,361,000, last year 149,720,000) Actual data incorporated when available.

Week of April 12, 2021

Eastern Region Misc. Poultry

Ducklings: Prices negotiated by first receivers, U.S. Grade A, 4-5 lbs., delivered in trucklot & pool trucklot quantities, cents/lb.

Origin	Frozen	Fresh
Long Island	231-235	236-242
Mostly		242
Midwest	215-235	230-245

Roasters: Prices negotiated by first receivers, U.S. Grade A & Plant Grade, 5 lbs. & up, delivered, cents/lb.

	Range	Mostly
Ice Packed (12 per Box)	92.00-104.50	98.00-102.00
Vacuum Packed (6-9 per Box)	94.00-111.00	99.00-104.00

Squabs: NY area wholesale prices, frozen, Plant Grade, dollars/dozen, 1-10 boxes
11 oz 95.04- 103.68 **13 oz** 120.69- 152.92 **15 oz** 132.03- 160.94
 Eastern Region: CT,DE,FL,GA,MA,MD,ME,NC,NH,NJ,NY,PA,RI,SC,VA,VT,WV

Central Region Ducklings

All prices are steady. Demand is mostly moderate. Supplies remain moderate. Processing schedules are full-time. Market activity is moderate. Prices paid to first receivers for 10-18 oz. boneless breasts 750-900, bone-in legs 500-510, gizzards 230-305, wings 125-170, livers 215-245, and feet 150-170 cents per lb.

Prices negotiated by first receivers for U.S. Grade A delivered in trucklot & pool trucklot quantities, 4-5 lbs., cents/lb

Origin	Frozen	Fresh
Midwest and Others	201-221	225-233
Mostly		

National Fowl Market

Live Spent Heavy Fowl		
Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading:	Price Range	Wtd Avg
Prices in cents per pound.	0.0 - 1.5	1.10
(Southeast Region broiler breeder hens generally for processing, 7 lbs. and up; under 7 lbs. subject to discount.)		
Southeast Region = AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, AND VA.		

Live Spent Light Fowl
 Majority price (cents/head) for removal: 0-7
 (live hens are predominately egg-layers averaging about 3.5 lbs. live weight per bird.)
Eastern region = AL, CT, DE, GA, KY, MA, MD, ME, MS, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, TN, VA, VT, and WV; **North Central** = IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI; **South Central** = AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX.

Ready-to-Cook Midwest Region Negotiated Prices to First Receivers
 (cents/lb. delivered to first receivers; U.S. Grade A and Plant Grade)

	Price Range	
Hens	Ice Packed (12 per Box)	80.0 - 86.0
	Vacuum Packed (6-9 per Box)	85.0 - 90.0
Midwest region = IL, IN, MI, MO, OH, and WI		

Live Fowl Auctions - 13-Apr-2021					
All Papers Required To Sell All Out Of State Poultry					
Hackettstown, NJ			Graystone Small Animal, Manheim, PA		
	Price Range	Avg		(per pound)	Price Range
Heavy Fowl each:	2.00 12.00	5.44	Red Fowl	5-6 lbs:	0.95 1.10
per pound:				4-5 lbs:	0.90 1.05
			Crossbred Fowl	5-9 lbs:	1.10 1.20

Delmarva Broiler/Fryer Market US Grade A

Date	Production (000) Actual Slaughter	Live Weight
4/9	2,302	6.81
4/8	2,079	6.96
4/7	1,826	7.28
4/6	2,010	7.16
4/5	1,106	7.78
Weekly	7,021	7.30

Cattle/Hog Weekly Slaughter

W/E	Under Federal Inspection (in 000's)				
	04/10/21	04/03/21	% chg	04/11/20	% chg
Cattle	640	641	1.00	486 ¹	1.32
Hogs	2,469	2,445	1.01	2,239 ¹	1.10

¹ Actual data incorporated when available.
 Totals adjusted to reflect USDA, NASS revisions.

Broiler Hatchery

Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Up 7 Percent

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 237 million eggs in incubators during the week ending April 10, 2021, up 7 percent from a year ago. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 80.3 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed in the United States Up Slightly

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 188 million chicks for meat production during the week ending April 10, 2021, up slightly from a year ago. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 9, 2021 through April 10, 2021 for the United States were 2.61 billion. Cumulative placements were down 2 percent from the same period a year earlier.

State	Broiler-Type Eggs Set, 19 Selected States and United States		Broiler-Type Chicks Placed, 19 Selected States and United States	
	Apr 03, 2021 (1,000 eggs)	Apr 10, 2021	Apr 03, 2021 (1,000 chicks)	Apr 10, 2021
AL.....	33,587	32,782	24,153	24,113
AR.....	24,358	24,343	20,814	21,840
DE.....	4,948	4,948	4,758	5,430
FL.....	1,209	1,209	1,288	1,310
GA.....	34,878	34,577	25,854	26,379
KY.....	8,120	7,944	5,973	6,288
LA.....	3,320	3,194	2,921	2,875
MD.....	7,912	7,904	5,385	4,883
MS.....	16,384	16,503	13,966	13,327
MO.....	9,382	9,361	5,471	5,116
NC.....	25,648	25,189	20,768	20,761
OK.....	7,327	7,455	4,557	4,362
PA.....	6,441	6,396	4,622	4,702
SC.....	5,733	5,514	5,716	5,263
TX.....	18,215	18,361	14,034	14,578
VA.....	6,469	6,398	6,511	6,061
CA, TN, & WV.....	13,035	12,951	11,271	10,892
Other States.....	13,120	12,251	9,224	9,338
United States.....	240,086	237,280	187,286	187,518
Percent of Prev Year..	104	107	98	100

Source: USDA, NASS

<https://release.nass.usda.gov/reports/brls1621.pdf>

Weekly Fryers Available for Marketing

Based on the preliminary chick placements, the number of fryers available for marketing during the week ending 22-May-21 is estimated at 164.0 million head. This compares to 164.4 million head the previous week and to 171.4 million head the same week a year ago, when the slaughter was 157.0 million head and the national weighted average price was 50.51 cents per pound.

US/Canadian Live Poultry Slaughtered Under Inspection

Week ending 10-Apr-21

U.S. Fowl Slaughtered Domestically

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	----- Thousands -----		
Head	885	1,543	2,428
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	762	1,405	2,167
Same week yr ago	607	1,400	2,007
To-date/2021*	10,912	20,687	31,599
To-date/2020*	11,381	22,198	33,579

U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in Canada

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	----- Thousands -----		
Head	145	0	145
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	102	0	102
Same week yr ago	225	0	225
To-date/2021*	1,647	18	1,665
To-date/2020*	2,418	0	2,418
Data Source: CFIA, as compiled by AAFC, Poultry Section			

Total U.S. Fowl Slaughtered in the U.S. and Canada

	Light Hens	Heavy Hens	Total Hens
	----- Thousands -----		
Head	1,030	1,543	2,573
Head sltr Comparisons			
Last Week	864	1,405	2,269
Same week yr ago	832	1,400	2,232
To-date/2021*	12,559	20,705	33,264
To-date/2020*	13,799	22,198	35,997
*Note: Year to-date totals reflect comparable time periods.			

Weekly Cold Storage Holdings -

~in Selected Centers, Includes Government Stocks in Thousands of Pounds~

Processed other Poultry

4/12/2021	4/1/2021	Change from First of the Month in Total Pounds	% Change from First of the Month
70,127	66,765	3,362	5%

Cold Storage Holdings - Pacific Coast

Processed other Poultry	4/12/2021	04/05/21	04/13/20
Pacific w/out Denver:	14,264	13,590	10,515
Los Angeles:	516	532	585

Fresh Beef Choice Cuts

FOB Negotiated	# of Trades	Total lbs.	Price Range	Wtd Avg
112A 3 Rib, ribeye, bnls, heavy	16	19,085	1,011.45 - 1,207.00	1,111.87
168 3 Round, top inside round	14	89,855	259.00 - 295.00	276.20
180 3 Loin, strip, bnls, Ox1	24	62,272	889.15 - 929.00	902.16
GB - Steer/Heifer Source - 10 Pound Chub Basis- Coarse & Fine Grind				
Ground Beef 81%	7	62,944	184.00 - 221.00	189.29

Fresh Pork Cuts

FOB Negotiated	Kilo lbs.	Price Range	Wtd Avg
Loin			
1/8 Trimmed Loin VAC	2,384	90.95 - 136.76	111.12
Bnls CC Strap-on	2,758	91.25 - 165.38	121.73
Butt			
1/8 Trim Steak Ready Butt Vac	248	121.89 - 141.91	129.56
Sparerib			
Trmd Sparerib - MED	1,379	168.00 - 234.00	213.31